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SUBJECT: ECLA: MTN RESOLUTION

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1. DELEGATION PRESENTED MODIFIED US AMENDMENTS
CONTAINED REFTEL ON LA MTN RESOLUTION TO COMITE
ONE MEETING EARLY THURSDAY EVENING MARCH 29.
AFTER GENERAL EXPOSITION OF US PROPOSED AMENDMENTS,
COMITE BEGAN TO VOTE ON INDIVIDUAL PARAGRAPHS.

2. REGARDING PROPOSED NEW LANGUAGE FOR
PREAMBULAR 1, MEXICAN DELEGATE OBJECTED AS OMITTING:

A) DEVELOPED MARKET- ECONOMY COUNTRIES AS
PRINCIPAL PROPONENTS OF NEGOTIATIONS;

B) OMISSION OF 1973 FOR
START OF NEGOTIATIONS;
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C) OMISSION OF " INCLUDING SPECIAL MODALITIES
OF THEIR PARTICIPATION" WHICH THEY HAD TAKEN FROM

A MARCH 7, 1972 GATT DOCUMENT OF A CHAIRMAN' S SUMMARY.
US AMENDMENT WAS DEFEATED IN VOTE 12-4 (US, CANADA,
FRANCE, UK).

D.) CHILEAN DELEGATE THEN PROPOSED WHOLESALE REJECTION
ALL US AMENDMENTS WHICH HAD BEEN PRESENTED TO COMITE.
MEETING THEN ADJOURNED FOR LA CAUCUS TO CONSIDER
AMONG THEMSELVES HOW TO DEAL WITH US PROPOSALS.
ATMOSPHERE CHANGED CONSIDERABLY TO COOPERATIVE
TONE WHEN MEETING RECONVENED, AND MEXICAN DELEGATE
SPOKE ON BEHALF OF LA' S ON REMAINING US PROPOSALS.

4. PREAMBULAR PARA 3: LA(S FIRST REJECTED PROPOSAL
TO SHOW US VOTES ON GA RESOLUTIONS IN BRACKETS IN
PARA BUT THEN ACCEPTED ZAGORIN' S PROPOSAL TO SHOW
US VOTES IN FOOTNOTE. CHILEANS LATER PROPOSED
THAT TOTAL VOTE BE SHOWN WHICH WAS ALSO ACCEPTED.

5. PREAMBULAR PARA 5: US PROPOSAL TO INSERT
" INTER- ALIA" ACCEPTED.

6. PREAMBULAR PARA 6: US PROPOSAL GENERALLY
ACCEPTED BUT SOMEWHAT MODIFIED TO READ " CONSIDERING
THE ASSISTANCE THE SECRETARIATS OF ECLA, UNCTAD,
GATT, AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANS HAVE BEEN
GIVING TO LATIN AMERICAN GOVERNMENTS IN THE FIELD
OF TRADE POLICY, AND THE NEED TO ENSURE ITS
FULLEST COLLABORATION IN PREPARING THESE COUNTRIES
OF THE REGION FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE PREPARATORY

STAGE OF THE NEGOTIATIONS."

7. OPERATIVE PARA 1: US PROPOSAL NOT ACCEPTED
ON GROUNDS IT UNNECESSARY BECAUSE:

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A) FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS PAPER
OF SECRETARIAT STATED NO ADDITIONAL
FINANCING INVOLVED THIS RESOLUTION;

B) ECLA BUDGET 1973-75 HAD JUST BEEN APPROVED
WHICH, IN EFFECT, PROVIDES BUDGETARY CEILING.

8. OPERATIVE PARA 2: US PROPOSAL AVOIDING
DUPLICATION MODIFIED BY LA' S AS FOLLOWS: " RECOMMENDS
THAT THE ECLA SECRETARIAT SHOULD ACCORD THE
HIGHEST PRIORITY AND URGENCY TO STUDIES AND WORK
RELATING TO THE ABOVE- MENTIONED PROGRAM, TAKING INTO
CONSIDERATION IN THE MEASURE THEY ARE AVAILABLE,
THE STUDIES OF UNCTAD AND GATT, AND REQUESTS

THE ECLA SECRETARIAT CONVEY TO THE UNCTAD, GATT, AND
FAO SECRETARIATS THE APPRECIATION OF
OF THE COUNTRIES OF LATIN AMERICA FOR THEIR CONTRI-
BUTIONS TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROGRAM".

(THIS WAS LANGUAGE WE HAD DISCUSSED EARLIER
INFORMALLY WITH MARTINEZ.)

9. OPERATIVE PARA 3: US MODIFICATION ACCEPTED
BY LA'S WITH SOME REWORDING AS FOLLOWS " NOTING THE
IMPORTANCE REPEATEDLY ATTRIBUTED BY LA COUNTRIES,
MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION, THEY ATTACH TO;"

10. OPERATIVE PARA 4: LA'S AGREED TO DELETE " MAXIMUM".

11. OPERATIVE PARA 5: LA'S DID NOT AGREE TO
ELIMINATE PARAGRAPH 5. THEY STATED:

A) ARGENTINA HAD AMENDED PARA 5 TO READ, " REQUESTS
UNDP TO CONSIDER..."

B) REALIZED THIS WOULD BE THROUGH REGULAR
UNDP BUDGET CHANNELS.

12. WHEN LA REQUEST FOR US RESPONSE TO THESE CHANGES,
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AMBASSADOR ZAGORIN THEN MADE STATEMENT THANKING LA'S
FOR CONSIDERING AND ACTING POSITIVELY ON NUMBER OF
OUR PROPOSED AMENDMENTS. HE ADDED HE HAD TO REVIEW
POSITION IN LIGHT OF ALL CHANGES AND SAID HE
SPECIFICALLY RESERVED AT COMITE STAGE ON OPERATIVE
PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 5, ON WHICH HE WOULD HAVE TO
RETURN IN PLENARY FIRST DAY, MARCH 30. HE INDICATED
A STATEMENT IN PLENARY MIGHT COVER OTHER POINTS

AS WELL.

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13. FRENCH THEN PROPOSED FOLLOWING MODIFICATION TO
PARA 5: " THE COMMISSION ASKS UNDP TO TAKE INTO
CONSIDERATION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ITS PROCEDURES,
THE POSSIBILITY OF PROVIDING..." BECAUSE FRENCH
PROPOSAL NOT UNANIMOUSLY ACCEPTED, IT WAS WITHDRAWN.

14. NEW OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 6 WAS ADDED BY LA'S.
" TO RECOMMEND TO THE LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES TO CARRY

OUT IN THE UNDP BY APPROPRIATE MEANS THE APPROACHES
TO OBTAIN THE CONTRIBUTION PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED."

15. COMITE THEN DECIDED TO RESEND TO PLENARY RES AS
AMENDED BEFORE ACTION IN PLENARY MORNING OF MARCH 30.

16. COMMENT: US DEL BELIEVES MUCH HEADWAY MADE

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FOR AGREEMENT WITH LA'S ON THIS RES AND THAT
PRESENT LANGUAGE IS MUCH IMPROVED VERSION. LA'S
ARE LOOKING AT OUR ACTIONS AS INDICATION WHETHER
US DOES OR DOES NOT WANT TO HAVE THEIR EFFECTIVE
PARTICIPATION IN MTN. US DEL FEELS LA'S MADE
CONSIDERABLE EFFORT TO ACCOMMODATE TO US
PROPOSALS BY ACCEPTING GREATER PART OF CHANGES
INTRODUCED BY US LATE MARCH 29.

17. BELIEVE LA'S WOULD ACCEPT MODIFICATION IN
OPERATIVE PARA 5 ALONG LINES PROPOSED BY FRENCH IN COMITE,
WHICH WE FEEL WOULD MEET SUBSTANCE OF OUR POSITION
AND WHICH COULD BE FURTHER TAKEN CARE OF IN A
STATEMENT BY US DEL IN PLENARY THAT IT IS OUR UNDER-
STANDING THAT PARA DOES NOT REPRESENT PREJUDGMENT

ON UNDP ACTION AND THAT DECISION COULD ONLY BE
TAKEN IN THAT BODY. IN ADDITION, WILL ATTEMPT TO
GET CHANGE IN PREAMBULAR 1 BY SUBSTITUTION OF
LANGUAGE "DEVELOPED COUNTRIES MEMBERS OF GATT"
FOR "DEVELOPED MARKET- ECONOMY COUNTRIES".

18. US DELEGATION BELIEVES OUR NON- SUPPORT OF
RES ENDS AFTER
CONCESSIONS MADE BY LA WOULD ONLY RESULT
IN REVERSION TO EARLIER DRAFT WHICH IS MUCH LESS
SATISFACTORY. MOREOVER, IT WOULD CERTAINLY AROUSE
ANGER AND BITTERNESS AMONG LA'S
AND PREDICTABLY
SHARPLY NEGATIVE COMMENTS ABOUT OUR INTENTIONS ON

MTN. THIS HAD ALREADY BEGUN IN EARLIER DISCUSSION
IN COMITE WHEN US PRESENTED PROPOSAL OUTLINED

IN STATE 56984 AND WE WOULD NOT WISH TO HAVE THIS
BE THE FINAL LA EVALUATION OF OUR POSTURE ON THIS
QUESTION.

19. ACTION PROPOSED: IN LIGHT OF FOREGOING, US
DEL BELIEVES THAT WITH MODIFICATION PROPOSED

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IN PARA 5 THE REQUIREMENT IN REFTEL THAT SUBSTANCE
OUR POINTS BE MET WOULD BE COMPLIED WITH, AND
ACCORDINGLY WE INTEND TO SUPPORT AMENDED DRAFT
IN PLENARY TOGETHER WITH STATEMENT (ESPECIALLY
COVERING OPERATIVE PARAS 1 AND 5 AND OTHER SUBJECTS
SUCH AS NEED AVOID DUPLICATION). US DEL BELIEVES SUCH ACTION
AUTHORIZED BY INSTRUCTIONS AND TRUST IT MEETS WITH
YOUR APPROVAL. WE WOULD PREFER THAT YOUR CONFIRMATION
ARRIVE PRIOR PLENARY ACTION. IF THIIIS NOT POSSIBLE,
ESPECIALLY BECAUSE FAST MOVING EVENTS ON THIS FINAL
DAY OF CONFERENCE, WE WILL TAKE ACTION AS PROPOSED.

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